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# NIKKI GETS PETE AT LUST



## BB stars sex up TV awards

### EXCLUSIVE

NIKKI Grahame was on a high last night as she was reunited with BB ex-love Pete Bennett. The 24-year-old blonde was hand in hand with punk-haired Pete, also 24, as she beat him to scoop a prestigious honour at the National TV Awards.

Full story and winners: Pages 4 & 5



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NO POPPY: Camilla yesterday

## Charles on Islam side

PRINCE Charles last night said Islam was not to blame for brutal terror attacks around the world. He told students at a women-only university in Pakistan to stand up against hate-preaching leaders, saying: "Religion itself is not the problem." Charles, 57, and Camilla, 59, made the visit after a trip to the Afghan border was axed because of security fears. For a second day she wore an Islamic outfit without a Remembrance Day Poppy.



SECURITY: A girl cop on guard as Charles talks to students at the uni

Happy Birthday

Scary Movie 3 beauty Jenny McCarthy is 33 today.



Thought for day

Whenever I think of the past, it brings back so many memories!

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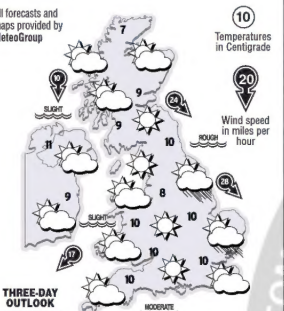
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**TODAY:** Eastern coasts of England and Scotland will have cloud and a brisk northerly wind. The rest of England and Scotland along with Wales will have plenty of sunshine. Northern Ireland will be dry and breezy.

**OUTLOOK:** Tomorrow will be dry and mostly sunny away from North Sea coasts. On Friday, it will stay dry with sunny spells but Scotland will turn cloudier.

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THREE-DAY OUTLOOK

Thursday  
Sunny

Friday  
Fair

Saturday  
Fair

### POUND ABROAD

Australia	2.34 dollars
Canada	1.98 dollars
Cyprus	0.80 pounds
Czech Republic	37.85 korunas
Mexico	18.59 pesos
South Africa	11.52 rand
Thailand	63.95 baht
Turkey	2.71 lira
United States	1.79 dollars

### EURO

Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Holland, Portugal, Spain	€ 1.39
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### ABROAD

Alicante	sunny	29c (84f)	Moscow	mist	0c (32f)
Corfu	sunny	21c (70f)	N York	sunny	14c (57f)
Dublin	fair	11c (52f)	Paris	sunny	21c (70f)
L. Angeles	cloudy	19c (64f)	Rhodes	rain	17c (63f)
Majorca	sunny	23c (73f)	Rome	sunny	20c (68f)
Miami	cloudy	28c (82f)	Tenerife	rain	24c (75f)

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# IRAQ WAR HAS COST UK £4bn

## Blair defeats call for probe

**THE Iraq war has cost British taxpayers £4billion.**

The revelation came yesterday as Tony Blair narrowly defeated calls for another inquiry into the conflict.

The Government survived a call for a full-scale inquiry into the conflict – by just 25 votes. But Mr Blair was left bloodied by the Commons showdown.

Tory MP Sir Peter Tapsell denounced him as: "More deeply steeped in blood than any Scottish politician since Macbeth."

Official figures confirmed the huge bill just hours before the Commons showdown. Voting was 273 to 298, a majority for the Government of 25.

Lib Dem foreign affairs spokesman Michael Moore said: "Quite apart from the huge loss of life, the war has cost the British taxpayer dear."

"We are no nearer understanding the political process that led to the disastrous intervention, nor the Government's strategy for extricating us from this mess."

The Ministry of Defence said the conflict cost £950million in the last financial year, up £50m on 2004-05. It cost £1.3bn in

■ by IAIN BURCHELL

2003-04 and £847m in 2002-03. Opposition MPs claimed the figures supported demands for a further inquiry into the war and peace-keeping operation.

### Weakness

But the call was rejected after the Prime Minister warned it would send a signal of "weakness" to insurgents. Scottish and Welsh nationalists spearheaded the move in a highly-charged three-hour debate.

Plaid Cymru MP Adam Price said Mr Blair was so "deluded" he had begun to think of himself as "President of the UK".

He said: "There are two Iraqs – the Iraq of George Bush and

the Prime Minister where things are going to plan and getting better all the time, and the real Iraq of murder and mayhem, whose future is uncertain."

Shadow Foreign Secretary William Hague said there was a strong case for an inquiry into an operation that was "so vast, so expensive, so chequered with success and failures".

The vote came after Foreign Secretary Margaret Beckett hinted there may be a probe in the indefinite future.

She said an inquiry at the moment would only encourage terrorists to launch fresh attacks on British troops.

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## US blunder killed aces

■ by AISLINN SIMPSON

THE deaths of two British airmen shot down by an American Patriot missile system were "entirely avoidable".

A series of "glaring failures" led to their Tornado warplane being labelled a missile threat instead of part of coalition forces in Iraq.

Oxfordshire Assistant Deputy Coroner Andrew Walker singled out for criticism "inadequate" training for staff operating the Patriot missile battery outside the Ali Al Salem air base in Kuwait.

Pilot Flight Lieutenant Kevin Main, 35, and Flight Lieutenant Dave Williams, 37, were shot down as they returned from south-west Baghdad.

Recording a narrative verdict at the Oxford inquest, Mr Walker said: "It is very hard when considering an inquest such as this, where these tragic deaths were entirely avoidable. How best can I deal with that? I can't, other than to say this should not have happened."

### LOTTO DAILY PLAY

TUESDAY OCTOBER 31

3 8 11 14 17 19 22

One ticket matched all 7 balls for the £30,000 prize

### SATURDAY LOTTO

OCTOBER 28

4 5 6 12 20 29 30

Four tickets shared the £4.1m jackpot  
Dream Number: 2-2-6-9-3-9-0. No £500,000 winners  
T'Ball: 4, 18, 20, 23, 24 (T'Ball 11). Two £250k T'Ball winners

### WEDNESDAY LOTTO

OCTOBER 25

2 7 10 14 16 22 43

Four tickets share £1.8million jackpot  
Dream Number: 9-0-6-5-1-2-6. No tickets won £500,000.  
T'Ball: 5, 7, 15, 22, 24, (T'Ball 4). No tickets won £250,000.

### EURO MILLIONS

FRIDAY OCT 27

3, 4, 8, 44, 50

Lucky Star Numbers 7, 8

No ticket won the £75m jackpot

## Troops want out

THE Ministry of Defence has admitted an alarming one in five soldiers want to quit the Army "at the earliest opportunity".

Troops blame their over-stretched commitment in trouble spots like Afghanistan and Iraq.

The survey from the MoD also revealed dissatisfaction with the way the Army deals with complaints about bullying, harassment and other unfair treatment.

Some 2,306 Army personnel – both ordinary squadies and officers – were quizzed for their views between March and July this year.



Star NEWS

Picture: JEANY SAVAGE

Ali

★ THERE are always plenty of fireworks when Ali is around. The 20-year-old London cracker loves to celebrate Bonfire Night by heading off to her local fireworks display. And there are loads of oohs and aahs when she gets out her sparklers.

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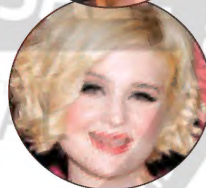
## Celeb gets jungle axe

by MARK JEFFERIES  
**TELLY bosses have axed Tara Palmer-Tomkinson from I'm A Celebrity - and replaced her with Kelly Osbourne.**

Tara, 34, has been co-presenting ITV2's coverage since 2003.

The channel's show gives fans extra footage and gossip on the events in the Aussie jungle.

But bosses have decided to completely change its format. And Tara and fellow presenter Matt Brown, 32, are the casualties. Instead of having the show live from Australia, it will come from a



**AXED:** Tara, top, has been replaced by Kelly

London studio. Comic Brendon Burns will speak to the families and friends of the contestants.

Meanwhile, in Australia, Kelly, 22, will report live from the jungle, revealing all the latest gossip, news and unseen footage.

A source close to Tara said: "She will be gutted not to be involved any more."

"She loves the show and always was a live wire that helped make it so unpredictable and fun."

"It will be interesting to see how Kelly copes with the heat and pressure of working on the show."

An ITV2 spokesman said last night: "The format of the show is evolving all the time."

"It has been revamped and revolutionised for this series."

"We have brought in two new presenters as a result of that."

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## Col's bag is Dalek-table

COLEEN McLoughlin has admitted she was baffled when her latest designer handbag was compared to a Dalek - because she'd never heard of Doctor Who's robotic enemies. "I had to ask what a Dalek was. Now I know, I don't mind," she says.

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## NATIONAL TELLY AWARDS: From Big Brother

# NIKKI...I'VE HAD THE LAST LAUGH

**BIG WINNERS:** Nikki and Pete with BB hosts Davina McCall and Dermot O'Leary



**WHO'S WON AGAIN:** Tardis stars Billie Piper and David Tennant were all smiles



**NEW BOY:** Charlie Clements with co-star Lacey Turner

**Most popular reality programme:** Big Brother  
**Most popular actor:** David Tennant  
**Most popular newcomer:** Charlie Clements, EastEnders  
**Most popular soap:** EastEnders  
**Most popular entertainment programme:** The X Factor  
**Most popular daytime programme:** Deal or No Deal

## THE WINNERS

**Most popular factual programme:** Top Gear  
**Most popular actress:** Billie Piper  
**Most popular quiz programme:** Ant and Dec's Game Show Marathon  
**Most popular drama:** Doctor Who

**Most popular entertainment presenter:** Ant and Dec  
**Most popular TV contender:** Nikki Graham, Big Brother  
**Most popular comedy:** Little Britain  
**TV landmark:** David Walliams for swimming the Channel  
**Special recognition:** Sir David Attenborough

by NIGEL PAULEY

**JILTED Nikki Graham went from Big Brother loser in love to telly's biggest winner last night.**

The troubled 24-year-old provided the big shock at the National TV Awards.

She took sweet revenge on the man who dumped her – Tourette's sufferer Pete Bennett – by beating him to be named Britain's favourite reality TV star.

It was a stunning reversal of fortunes for the petite blonde, whose life has unravelled since she left Channel 4's top reality TV show.

Nikki, who was humiliated by BB winner Pete when he dumped her just after the show ended, won the TV Contender award at the star-studded bash in London. She beat Pete, Celebrity Big Brother winner Chantelle Houghton, 23, I'm A Celeb's Carol Thatcher, 53, and Soapstar Superstar's Richard Fleeshman, 17.

Nikki revealed she and Pete have kissed and made up. She said: "We are friends again now. All the animosity between us has gone."

### Shock

She also said she liked Pete's new bright hair-style, adding: "It is red and pink, I like pink, it is my favourite colour."

Nikki and Pete even posed together for photos on the red carpet.

She added: "I'm really enjoying myself. It's a massive achievement just for me to be nominated."

And there was an even bigger shock when fallen star Michael Barrymore handed Nikki her gong.

Barrymore, 54 – who made a comeback earlier this year in Celebrity Big Brother – was snuggled into the Royal Albert Hall.

Nikki was famous for her tantrums and went on to star in her own show Princess Nikki on E4.

She also joined Pete on stage to collect the best reality show prize on behalf of Big Brother.

An NTA source said: "Nikki's victory was the most surprising result."

"Nikki has proved much more popular than Pete. It certainly is a wonderful case of revenge for her."

Ant, 30, and Dec, 31, up for a record four awards, ended up with two – for most popular entertainers and most popular quiz.

The success of their Game Show Marathon ended a seven-year winning streak for Who Wants To Be A Millionaire host Chris Tarrant, 60.

It was another night of success for the BBC's Sci-Fi hit Doctor Who, which was most popular drama.

Stars David Tennant, 35, and Billie Piper, 24, also went home with the best actor and actress awards.

EastEnders was named best soap for the second year running – once again



**FRIENDS:** Pete and Nikki

leaving rival Coronation Street in the shade.

And 19-year-old Charlie Clements – Albert Square's Bradley Branning – was also celebrating as he was named best newcomer.

Deal Or No Deal was named best daytime show to complete 57-year-old Noel Edmonds' comeback.

And jet car crash victim Richard Hammond, 36, helped Top Gear win best factual programme.

### Babes

Louis Walsh and Sharon Osbourne, both 54, and Simon Cowell, 47, showed they had the X Factor to retain the best entertainment show gong.

Little Britain's Matt Lucas, 32, and David Walliams, 35, scooped best comedy, and Walliams won the TV Landmark category after swimming the Channel for Sport Relief.

Super sexy Kate Price got into it for Halloween as she unveiled a new dark look at the bash.

The 28-year-old glamour girl – alias Jordan – was joined on the red carpet by babes including Hollyoaks' Gemma Merna, 22, and Corrie's Tina O'Brien, 23.

The event received a record 2.8million votes. It is being screened by ITV1 at 8pm tonight, hosted by Sir Trevor McDonald, 67.

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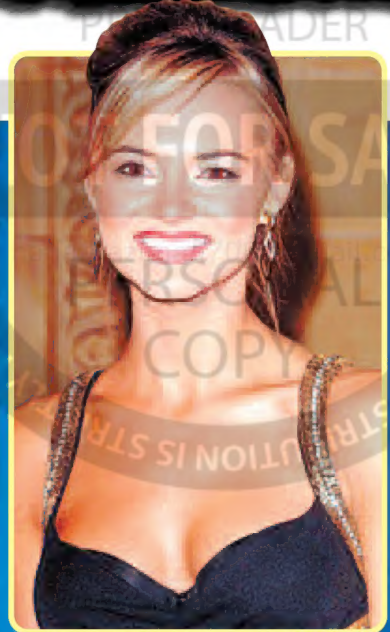


# loser to the biggest winner on night of TV glory



**LOOKING THE PART:** Corrie's Tina O'Brien, Gemma Merna of Hollyoaks and newly dark glam-our babe Kate Price

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SOAPER STAR: EastEnders' Kara Tointon

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# THEY'LL GET THE PARTY STARTED

## A-list stars up for hire

■ **WORRIED** what guests will say if you play the same old dull music at your festive knees-up? Then how about hiring some pay-for-play big names instead?

■ With mega-rich oil barons and international businessmen, simply paying a pal to turn up at your Christmas do with his old DJ decks just won't wash. It's going to take something really special to bring a smile to the beautiful faces of the jet-set crowd.

■ And nothing quite says "I've made it" more than getting the cream of the charts to come and play for you.

For a sizeable sum, these stars will make sure you have a day to truly remember. But don't forget your wallet, as A-Listers don't come cheap. CAMERON MILLAR checks out 10 of the best...

### THE ROLLING STONES

**£4million per performance.** IF YOU want the bus-pass bad boys strutting their stuff around your gaff, you'll need extra-deep pockets.

Texan billionaire David Bonderman forked out the mind-boggling fee for Sir Mick Jagger, 63, and Keith Richards, 62, (above) and pals to help celebrate his 60th birthday in 2002.

### THE EAGLES

**£3.75m per performance.** THE band stormed back to the top of the big time with their "Hell Freezes Over" reunion tour in 1994.

Then they realised rich punters would pay big bucks for private renditions of Hotel California – and started hiring out their services accordingly. A source said: "They are among the most expensive music acts ever to hire for a private gig."

### CELINE DION

**£3.3m per performance.** CANADIAN warbler Celine, 38, is quick to cash in on fans of her heavy-handed ballads by charging through the nose for exclusive versions of My Heart Will Go On.

At £3.3m a pop, Celine is right to

look after her voice. She doesn't speak unless spoken to, and drinks huge amounts of tea with honey to preserve her precious vocal cords.

### CHRISTINA AGUILERA

**£1.8m per performance.**

THIS Dirrty girl cleans up when she does a private show.

A Russian billionaire paid the sexy singer, 25, nearly £2m to belt out just three songs at his wedding to a former Miss Yugoslavia.

### ELTON JOHN

**£1m per performance.**

TANTRUM-prone Sir Elton, 59, charged a British multi-millionaire a seven-figure sum to play at his wedding reception.

And the canny performer also signed a huge Las Vegas lock-in deal worth more than £30m. He has clearly made the most of his star quality.

### SIR PAUL MCCARTNEY

**£900,000 per performance.**

IF Macca ends up paying out a huge share of his £1bn fortune to estranged ex Heather Mills,

38, he can at least console himself with earning loads more dosh quick-smart. Sir Paul, 64, will even let you choose 19 songs for him to play – and give you change from £1m.

WHITNEY HOUSTON **£600,000 per performance.** TROUBLED megastar Whitney, 43 – who has battled a serious drug habit for years – followed Christina Aguilera on stage at the Russian billionaire's wedding.

Her cheery duet with crooner Enrique Iglesias, 31, earned her a tidy sum.

### AEROSMITH

**£550,000 per performance.**

THESE rockers played at Orlando Convention Centre in Florida in 2001 for bosses and workers of top firm Sapphire Technologies.

The Love In An Elevator hit-makers apparently went down a storm.

### BUSTA RHYMES

**£500,000 per performance.**

CAN'T afford anyone else? Hip-hop king Busta Rhymes, 34, can rock up to your bash eight times for the price of a one-off gig by the Stones.

A source close to the star said: "He's got a big ego, and he would really like to charge a little more. But he realises he is up against some of the biggest stars of all time."

**£4M**  
STONES

**£1M**  
ELTON

### BEYONCÉ KNOWLES

**£650,000 per performance.**

HOT babe Beyoncé, 25, earned this tidy sum for strutting her stuff and singing a few numbers at a Bar Mitzvah in the south of France in 2002.

Raunchy R&B star Beyoncé is reportedly fast-becoming a favourite on the private gig circuit.

One insider said: "When she walks by you can instantly see the jaws of all the male guests just drop."

**£500k**  
BUSTA

**£650k**  
BEYONCÉ

DAILY  
**Star**  
says

## Tell us the truth, Tony

**EVER** get the feeling someone's not been telling the whole truth about Iraq?

We already know the Government peddled dodgy stories about weapons of mass destruction to sell their war against a country that posed zero threat to Britain.

Now doubters – including some of Tony Blair's own MPs – have demanded an inquiry into why the Prime Minister led us into a war that has cost Britain £4 billion.

War leader Blair says an inquiry would undermine our troops who are still out there.

*That's a political version of a human shield – and it's just as cowardly as the one that dictator Saddam Hussein used.*

The troops deserve to know exactly why they are risking their lives. And so do the relatives of the 120 soldiers who have made the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

**War always has casualties – but this time the truth must not be one of them.**

## Pete's no role model

**PETE DOHERTY** is the country's most famous junkie.

On today's Page 30, the true extent of his wasted life is laid bare.

The singer lives in squalor in a flat where he paints pictures in his own blood, wallows in filth and injects his life away.

Many misguided fans who don't know the horrors of drugs think he is a dream role model.

We hope our revelations will show them that Doherty's addiction has helped kill off his musical talent, not inspire it.

If this fails, then it is time for the courts to make him an example – by sending him to prison for his drug crimes.

## Posh dosh

**VICTORIA BECKHAM** went on an eight-hour marathon shopping session yesterday.

Well, the shops had to shut at some point.



# 'MR LOOPHOLE' HAS TO DEFEND HIMSELF

## Solicitor vows: 'I'm innocent'

■ by JOHN MAHONEY

**CELEBRITY lawyer Nick "Mr Loophole" Freeman has pledged his innocence after being held on suspicion of perverting the course of justice.**

The solicitor, whose clients have included Sir Alex Ferguson and David Beckham, 31, was quizzed for 12 hours after being detained on Monday.

The 49-year-old was held over allegations of a plot to pervert the course of justice. Police sources said the alleged offence relates to a case in south Wales where he successfully got a driver off a motoring charge on the grounds of an illness.

Yesterday the millionaire father of two, speaking outside his £2.5million mansion in Mere, Cheshire, said: "I can't go into any details at all in relation to these allegations, other than to say I am totally innocent of the allegations made against me."

Mr Freeman and a 45-year-old man were arrested by Greater Manchester police on behalf of Gwent police in south Wales, who are heading the inquiry.

He was taken from his Manchester city centre office at 11am on Monday and quizzed at Pendleton police station, Salford. He was freed at 11.30pm and returned home to his ex-model wife Stephanie, 42.

Mr Freeman and the other man have been held until next month.

### Blunders

The lawyer, who has represented celebs including model Caprice, 35, has been a thorn in the side of police for years by exposing blunders by officers and technicalities which have led to hundreds of acquittals for motoring offences.

He has secured court-room victories for a host of sports stars, including footballers Dwight Yorke, 34, Lee Bowyer, 29, and golfer Colin Montgomerie, 43.

He got Manchester United boss Sir Alex, 64, off a charge of driving on a motorway hard shoulder by arguing he desperately needed to go to the loo.

A spokesman for Gwent Police said: "The arrests form part of an ongoing criminal investigation."

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MODEL CLIENT:  
Freeman has worked for Caprice



WHAT A RESULT: The solicitor with Lee Bowyer



ON THE BALL: Dwight Yorke won court battle



PUTT IT THERE: Freeman and Montgomerie



CRAWLED: Neil Shepherd

## Dad's rescue agony

■ by JERRY LAWTON

**POISONED** dad Neil Shepherd crawled across his holiday bungalow in a vain bid to save his children.

He heard daughter Christianne, seven, and Robert, six, moaning.

Neil, 38, got to the girl but collapsed and she was found dead in his arms at the chalet in Corfu.

Security police chief Major Dimitris Binieris said: "He did what he could to save her before losing his senses."

### Anger

Robert was lying dead face down next to Neil's partner Ruth Beatson, 27.

The police chief said testimony from Neil, of Wakefield, West Yorks, confirmed poisonous gas was the sole cause of death.

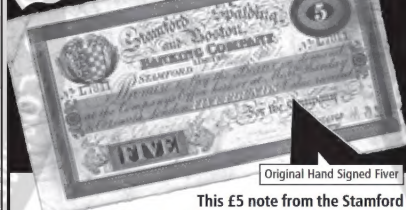
"Their father is now terribly distressed, full of anger at those who let this happen," he added.

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## Charlotte's old flame Kyle jailed

■ by TOM BEDFORD

**SINGER** Charlotte Church's ex-boyfriend was jailed yesterday for 12 months after a street attack.

Kyle Johnson, 21, who split with the TV star, 20, early last year, admitted violent disorder.

The former hotel worker, his two brothers and two friends laid into a nightclub reveller and then attacked

a man who helped him, Cardiff Crown Court heard.

Neither victim has been traced since the attack outside the city's La Tantra nightclub in April.

But it was caught on CCTV by police and prosecutor Tony Trigg

said: "Johnson's brother Kane punched a man who was leaving the club and the others joined in."

Kyle's twin brother Kertis was jailed for 16 months and brother Kane, 17, was given 12 months in a young offenders' institution.

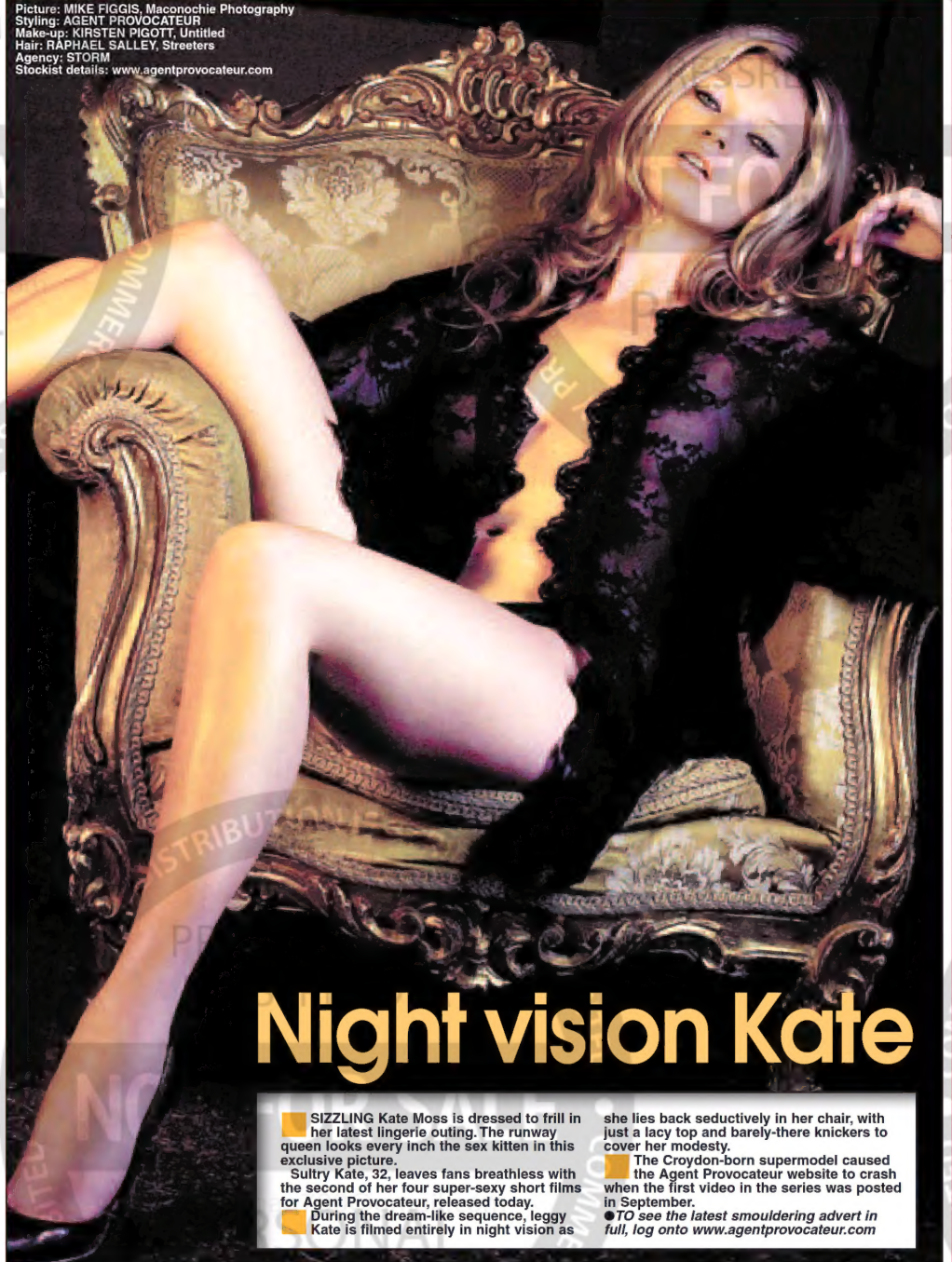
Pals Keiron Reid, 20, and Jonathan Crook, 26, each got 12 months.



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## Night vision Kate

**SIZZLING** Kate Moss is dressed to frill in her latest lingerie outing. The runway queen looks every inch the sex kitten in this exclusive picture.

Sultry Kate, 32, leaves fans breathless with the second of her four super-sexy short films for Agent Provocateur, released today.

During the dream-like sequence, leggy Kate is filmed entirely in night vision as

she lies back seductively in her chair, with just a lacy top and barely-there knickers to cover her modesty.

The Croydon-born supermodel caused the Agent Provocateur website to crash when the first video in the series was posted in September.

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HOSPITAL: Pete and Kate yesterday

## ALARM BELLS RING FOR PETE

**TROUBLED** rocker Pete Doherty dashed to hospital yesterday after he was injured - trying on Kate Moss's rings.

The Babyshambles frontman, 27, got one stuck and was left in agony as his finger swelled up.

He spent two hours in casualty at the Princess Grace Hospital in

by NADINE LINGE

central London. Doctors cut off the gold band as Pete's supermodel fiancée Kate, 32, held his other hand, wincing in sympathy.

Earlier the singer axed two gigs in Germany because he was "not fit enough to perform". He is unlikely to play in Berlin tonight.

A spokesman for Pete said: "His finger was very painful which

meant he couldn't play the gigs. He had hospital treatment, but the weekend gigs in Norway and Sweden are still on."

Crack addict Pete, dressed in torn jeans and a military-style dark green jacket, left hospital late yesterday afternoon with Kate at his side.

**Crazy world of Pete Doherty: Page 30**

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# Only a Halloween Screamer can halt £25k shopping spree

■ by MARIANNA PARTASIDES  
**WHEN the going gets tough, the tough go shopping – and in Posh's case for a marathon eight hours.**

Shopaholic Victoria Beckham racked up a bill of more than £25,000 during a spree yesterday.

And the only thing that finally stopped her shopping was a Halloween shock. After a Joker in a Scream mask jumped out at her, she finally called it a day.

Yesterday we revealed how her husband, former England skipper David, 31, was feeling the strain over his future at Real Madrid.

While he stayed in Spain, Victoria, 32, had jetted to London to promote her new book, *That Extra Half An Inch*.

A host of celeb stylists have laid into her fashion sense and tips after reading the book.

But Posh showed she's still tops for fashion shopping, splashing the cash in more than a dozen swanky designer shops as she was shuttled across London in the Beckham family Bentley.

Onlookers said it looked like she was snapping up an all-new wardrobe, with at least 30 bags of goodies – too much to fit in the cavernous boot of the Bentley.

## Giggle

Victoria stopped off at Stella McCartney in Mayfair, before hitting Chanel in Bond Street. She also popped into ultra-chic Chloe, Paul & Joe, Matches and Joseph stores nearby.

After pausing for a glass of bubbly and a giggle with her sister Louise, 28, in trendy shoe shop Christian Louboutin, she continued her spree at the Diane von Furstenberg, Gucci and Yves Saint Laurent stores.

She also checked out Rolex watches at antique gem specialists Bentley & Skinner.

But at Brit designer Alexander McQueen's shop in Bond Street, she finally called a halt when the mystery Scream fan leapt out.

Victoria's massive spree yesterday came after she fulfilled a charity date at Oxfam in Notting Hill.

And, despite rifling through the charity shop's second-hand clothes rails, that was just about the only place she failed to make a purchase.

Earlier yesterday, Posh had come under fire from some stylists to the stars over her new fashion book.

Fee Doran, who styles singers Kylie Minogue, 38, and Madonna, 48, said: "She's trying to make out she's one of the girls, but looks so snarly and bitchy in the photos that she doesn't succeed."

"She's so up her own a\*se. It's all 'Me, me, me'."

## Icon

Another stylist, known only as Mr Gammon – who works with Brit beauty Keira Knightley, 21, added: "I think she'd like to believe she's a style icon, although I don't particularly think she is one."

And TV's Nicky Hambleton-Jones, who fronts hit makeover show *10 Years Younger*, said of Victoria's book: "There's not that much useful content that the average person can take away."

Meanwhile Victoria has revealed the real reason she ditched her long hair extensions – they got in the way of having sex with Becks.

Trendy Victoria said she went for the chop after too many nights of sizzling passion ended with clumps of her barnet falling out.

And in the end, David told her: "The hair has to go."

Victoria said: "You can be in the midst of a bit of passion, then you have a bloody hair extension fly out. It can be a bit embarrassing!"

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# SMILES BETTER



IT'S LADY SMIRKER: Heather with lawyer Julius yesterday

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## Dosh talk cheers Mucca

**FROSTY Heather Mills broke into a sunny smile after talking money with her lawyer yesterday.**

by CAMERON MILLAR

Lady Mucca came out beaming from her meeting with hotshot Anthony Julius, 50, who helped Princess Diana in her split from Charles, 57.

Heather, 38, forgot to flash her usual cold stare after talks about her share of estranged 64-year-old husband Sir Paul McCartney's £1bn fortune.

### Sign

An onlooker said: "Maybe her lawyer gave her some good news."

Later at the railway station Heather passed a sign saying: "The Penny's Dropped".

Our witness added: "It was quite funny, given she might at last be realising how much the public has turned against her."

And Heather - who lost a leg in a

1993 motorcycle smash - found herself embroiled in a row last night after a TV presenter claimed she uses her disability for attention.

Panelists on ITV daytime chat show Loose Women were discussing 45-year-old BBC star Jonathan Ross's jibes at the Q Awards, where he said he wouldn't be surprised if Heather had two legs, and dubbed her "a f\*\*\*ing liar".

### Jokes

Loose Women anchor Kaye Adams, 42, asked the panel what they thought about Jonathan's speech - which prompted Carol McGiffin, 46, a regular, to say his jokes were OK.

Carol, ex-wife of Chris Evans, 40, added: "Heather Mills is in the public eye and comments like Jonathan's are fair game. She definitely uses her disability to get publicity."

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MESSAGE: Heather at station

Mills is in the public eye and comments like Jonathan's are fair game. She definitely uses her disability to get publicity."



# Bath attack on boy 'a copy of Soham murder'



**HORROR:** David is held under water by evil Charlie after revealing that he knows about the builder's cheating affair

# FANS FURY AT CORRIE TORTURE

**CORONATION Street has come under fire over a storyline which viewers say has chilling echoes of the Soham murders.**

Crazed Charlie Stubbs was seen trying to drown young David Platt in a bath in the ITV1 soap.

And viewers have complained that it was a copy of the horrific murder of schoolgirl Holly Wells, 10.

She was drowned in the bath of killer Ian Huntley's home four years ago. Her best friend Jessica Chapman, 10, was also killed by the school caretaker in Soham, Cambs.

## Terrified

Telly watchdog group Ofcom is now investigating the complaints to discover whether the episode, screened on Monday night, broke its code of conduct.

The episode showed sex-cheat builder Charlie - played by Bill Ward, 39 - tricking the terrified teenager into his lover

■ by MILA VUCEVIC

Maria's flat, tying his arms behind his back and repeatedly plunging his head into a bath full of ice-cold water. David (Jack Shepherd, 18) was left desperately gasping for air.

Corrie bosses even cut a hole in the side of the bath so the cameras could catch every terrifying moment of his ordeal.

His torture only

ended when Maria (Samia Smith, 24) returned home.

A spokesman for Ofcom confirmed yesterday that they were investigating after viewers complained that the scene was sick and offensive.

Huntley, 32, who is serving two life sentences for the murders of the two schoolgirls, is believed to have drowned Holly in the bath before smothering Jessica in August 2002.

The bodies of the schoolgirls were found 13 days later.

## Upset

A Corrie spokesman said last night: "We have had a small number of calls in relation to this storyline."

"This was behaviour that was in keeping with the character of Charlie Stubbs and our intention is never to offend or upset people."

"We don't see that there can be a comparison between the horrendous events in Soham and Charlie's bullying tactics towards David."

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**TRAGIC:** Schoolgirls Holly and Jessica

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## SARAH SNUBS RANDY BRAND

**EVEN after a skinful, Sarah Harding proved she's got standards by blowing out Russell Brand.**

The sexy blonde was having a hoot with bandmate **Cheryl Cole**, 23, at London's Grosvenor House hotel Q Awards after-party when The Brand approached her.

An onlooker said: "Russell was straight over to her. He loves all of them in *Girls Aloud* but it was clear he made a definite beeline for Sarah."

"He was larking around and Sarah couldn't stop giggling at him. He also kept cracking jokes."

"Russell gave each of the girls a hug and then whispered something naughty in Sarah's ear. She found it hilarious and couldn't

stop herself from laughing. Then he whispered something else and Sarah mocked up a look of shock before trying to politely slip away.

"But she needn't have worried long because Cheryl was by her side like a flash."

"And with one tug of Sarah's arm, Cheryl and Sarah went to find the other girls whilst Russell was stood there looking somewhat sheepish."

"He realised a few people were staring so he turned on his heel and left to find his people. You'd never have thought this was the same guy who hams up his success when it comes to chatting up women."

### Settle

We salute sassy Sarah for her attitude. Speaking to us earlier the 25-year-old told us how she just wants to settle down and find the right fella. We're happy to report it's obviously not Brand, 31.

But it seems Brand is fast losing his female fan base.

**Denise Van Outen**, 32, didn't hold back her opinion when asked about her favourite and not so favourite shows. She said: "I can't bear to watch anything with Russell Brand in it. He really irritates me and I just find him very false."

Maybe Sarah agrees?

**BRUSH-OFF:** Sarah and, inset, Russ

Picture: XPOSURE



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# AT THE Q AWARDS PARTIES

**Q Awards 2006**

## HUSH HUSH

WHICH musician was so miffed about missing out on a gong, he tried to pilfer one of his rival's awards? Rather embarrassingly, a Q Awards bigwig caught him in mid-snaffle. And the rocker received a thorough ticking-off, worthy of a naughty schoolboy, in front of his stunned musical peers. The only thing he ended up taking home was a bruised ego and gnawed fists.

## QUICKIES...QUICKIES...QUICKIES...QUICKIES...

■ **EMINEM'S** sage lyrics "Moby... You're too old. Let go, it's over" sprang to mind when we heard the slap-head bemoaning the hardcore booing at the Q Awards. The vegan, 41, whinged: "I can't believe people start drinking so early. It's astonishing." Doesn't everybody have meths for breakfast?

■ WE'VE been praying for somebody to push smug de-gooder Bono, 46, off his soap box for so long. So we can't thank Amy Winehouse, 23, enough for doing the honours by heckling him while he collected U2's Award of Awards. Words haven't been invented to describe our gratitude.

■ OUR pleasure at the ceremony was greatly marred when Cheryl Cole, 23, announced her delicious feud with Charlotte Church, 20, is over. She said: "I've been watching her show and I think it's fantastic. I think we'd really get on. I find myself laughing at things she said. The whole thing got out of hand."



## Monkey bunch go ape at bash

■ THE disappointingly civilised ceremony would have had every drip of sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll squeezed from it... if it wasn't for the Arctic Monkeys.

While Liam Gallagher, 34, slipped Ovaltine and Jamelia, 25, discussed baby sick, the cheeky monkeys were busy brawling with alaparazzi and bouncers.

■ Frontman Alex Turner, 20, left, has the face of a toddler, but proved he has the vocabulary of a middle-aged convict when he did battle with a snapper, as his delightful gesture shows. Meanwhile, guitarist Jamie Cook, 25, above, tried to sneak out of the Met Bar without paying for his gargantuan drinks bill.

■ But that one prove tricky when you're in one of Blighty's biggest rock groups.

So the wayward hoody reluctantly produced his gold card and settled up, laughing: "Don't they know who I am? Yes, a booze-loving youth with a GOLD CARD!"



## David helps Heidi to hide

■ LOVE is... shielding your celebrity girlfriend from photographers when she's sashed.

■ So isn't Sugababe Heidi Range, 23, lucky to have Dave Berry?

The 27-year-old MTV presenter threw himself in front of predatory paparazzi after the Q extravaganza.

■ Liverpool lass Range had indulged a little too much in the vodka and champers. But it didn't stop her from carrying on to the Met Bar. That's our girl!



Picture: XPOSURE

## Kooks romeo is Luke warm

THE Kooks didn't win a gong at the Q Awards but they tried not to leave empty-handed.

The band, up for best newcomers, scoured the post-party shindig at London's Met Bar for the foxiest arm candy.

And frontman Luke Pritchard,

21, right, followed Randy Brandy's lead by sniffing around poor Sarah Harding.

He finally settled on his best chum's girlfriend - but was too squiffy to form a sentence.

So he said it with flowers, which the stingy scallywag picked from a hotel garden.

He drawled: "This'll make her happy. All girls like flowers. I'm romantic."

He's so naive.

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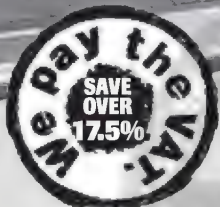
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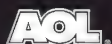
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**A**NOTHER X Factor week has gone by, another week in which the MacDonald Brothers are still left in the competition.

Now I'm sure they're lovely guys who never forget their mum's birthday, but Simon Cowell is spot on when he says they're straight outta Pontins.

You just cannot mention them in the same breath as the likes of Ben, Ray, Leona and Eton Road - who I reckon will be the last four if there's any justice.

That said, I was very impressed by that bloke who was in the over-35s category this week, Tony...er... oh yes, Tony Bennett.

He was great. I voted for him. There's a manky pop station up in Scotland which is backing the MacDonald Brothers.

I don't know if they're aware of this but, bearing in mind they have as one of their DJs Michelle McManus - the most mentalist example of Scottish support gone crazy since Wembley 1977 - that's the level of music cred we're talking about here.

Mind you, maybe people are voting for the MacDonald Brothers because they are just about the only act in the competition that hasn't been exposed as "hiding a horrible personal heartache".

Unless it emerges that Kate Thornton has been reading her autocue wrongly and they're the MacDonald Lovers.



**I CAN'T** help but feel that Noel Gallagher and Alex "Arctic Monkeys" Turner were being a bit lazy having a pop at Take That at the Q Awards. They're smart guys and it would have been more impressive if they'd got onstage and slugged The Killers for having ridiculous new moustaches. Or Bono for, well, pretty much everything he's said in the last decade.

Don't get me wrong - I want my music stars slugging each other off. But Manic Street Preachers' Nicky

Wire showed once again why he is the master of things like this by announcing: "Give me Take That over Arctic Monkeys any day."

While I wouldn't go that far, the fact is that Take That's comeback single Patience is - deep breath here - a pretty damn good song.

There is little musical difference between it and recent offerings by Keane, Coldplay or The Feeling.

And Howard looks good these days. Like Aerosmith's Steve Tyler after eating only pies and beer for a year.

**I'VE** heard some daft things in my life, but trying to save the environment by making flights more expensive is currently on the shelf marked "Daftest".

The theory goes that pollution from planes is playing merry hell with the environment, so if they add extra tax to flights that will stop people flying.

What cock! For starters, it will hit poorer punters and smaller businesses. The people who can't afford to do it much anyway.

Big business and rich pop stars - the ones who fly all the time and cause all this pollution - will not suffer at all. The extra cost for the flight will just be swallowed up when their smarty-pants accountants claim it back as a "legitimate business expense".

Meanwhile, the family who get one cut-price flight to Spain each year won't be able to afford it. So they'll take the car. The big fuel-guzzling, air-polluting car.

Only by this time, all the rest who can't afford the plane will also be on the road. Causing one whacking great traffic jam from John O'Groats to Malaga while Mother Nature gags and vomits another hole in the ozone layer.

And let's not forget, by that time, the introduction of a load of road tolls will hit the average punter so square and they may not get up again.

Of course we can always get the train, can't we? That's environmentally friendlier. Mind you, this is mostly because it often sits there in a station. Delayed.

David Cameron, sadly, is so desperate to appear greener than the Incredible Hulk, he's already said he'd support an increase on flight taxes. Indeed, he says he will even put a windmill and solar panels on 10 Downing Street.

Yeah, right. Something tells me the planning permission will be a bitch as I feel it may be something of a listed building.

**D**on't get me wrong, I've written many times in these pages about the need for us to be more environmentally responsible and I go mental if one single recyclable beer can gets put in the nappy bin. And, yes, if it does, I stick my hand in there and fish it out. So let me tell you there is NOBODY who goes further to save the planet than me.

But simply putting the price up on everything is not the answer. It doesn't work. How many people do you know who've given up smoking due to the cost? And how many people give up drink at Budget time if Gordon Brown adds a penny to a pint? None.

By adding extra taxes to things that cause environmental harm, the Government is effectively wanting to solve the problem by sitting back and doing nothing.

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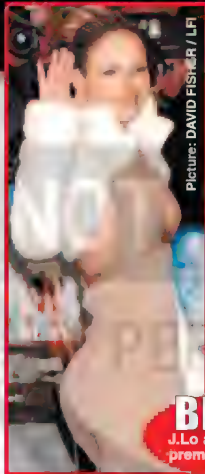
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# Riddle of J.Lo's vanishing bottom

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**BOOTYLICIOUS** Jennifer Lopez appears to have lost something very valuable – the most famous rump in showbiz.

**BEFORE**  
J.Lo at a London film premiere in February

Back in February the Latino lovely showed off her well-rounded asset in a body-hugging dress at a London movie premiere. But when she turned up at an

by **MARIANNA PARTASIDES**

awards bash in New York on Monday with crooner hubby Marc Anthony, 38, Jen was not shaking her famous booty.

A witness said: "It looked like it had gone." The dramatic shape change has sparked speculation that J.Lo, 37, has changed her diet to help her fall pregnant.

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LESSONS: Daniel Craig

## Bond's ace at poker

**EXCLUSIVE**  
by JERRY LAWTON  
HUNK Daniel Craig had to learn how to play cards like a pro for new Bond movie *Casino Royale*.

Film bosses feared the growing army of online poker fans would spot any screen howlers.

So they hired an expert to teach Texas Hold 'Em to the 38-year-old star.

### Clangers

Bond has three nail-biting scenes at the poker table so producer Michael Wilson brought in top man Dr Martin Sambrook to coach Craig and the other stars.

Martin said: "When I first read the script there were a few clangers, one of which I am thrilled they changed."

"I'm sure 99% of the film's viewers wouldn't have noticed. But that other 1% would be talking about it for months."

You can see how Bond gets on when the movie opens on November 16.

## ID theft soaring

THE identities of more than 100,000 Brits are stolen each year by internet hackers, it has been revealed.

The average false ID is worth £85,000 to organised crooks. And by 2010 the number targeted could have doubled.

Crime expert Dr Emily Finch said: "There is more info than ever circulating about individuals."



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WRINKLE, WRINKLE, LITTLE STAR: Pam shows her lines and, left, in her heyday

# THINGS SHORE LOOK DIFFERENT!

## Sands of time hit Baywatch

■ by NADINE LINGE  
FORMER Baywatch stars looked more ready for pipes and slippers than swimsuits at a party in California.

The gang were looking their age as they relived the glory days at the DVD release of the first two series of the sun-and-sand telly classic.

It seemed the years of UV rays had taken their toll on curvy Pamela Anderson, 39, with her wrinkled face and claw-like hands.

The actress, who played life-guard CJ Parker, also sported ratty blonde tresses and heavily caked made-up.

### Heat

Meanwhile David Hasselhoff, 54, who played hunky Mitch Buchannon, obviously isn't as fit as he used to be judging by the wet patches on his shirt.

And his sex appeal wasn't boosted by the tufts of grey hair poking out of that unbuttoned top.

Celebrity Big Brother star Traci Bingham, 38, also felt the heat with sweat patches.

And she was bursting out of her two-piece, a far cry from when she starred as svelte Jordan Tate.

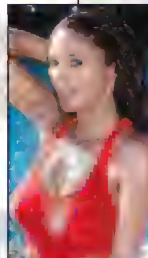
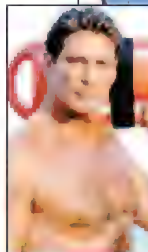
A guest at the Santa Monica launch said: "They looked a long way from the days when they used to run down the beach."

Rumours are growing that the wrinkle cast will reunite for a spin-off version of the show.

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SWEAT AND CHEERS: The Hoff and Traci and the way they were, left



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# AND NOW IT'S THE BIG CHILL

## Heat is off as Arctic blasts UK

by IAIN BURCHELL

**BRITS basking in the record autumn heat were last night warned to brace themselves for the big chill.**

Forecasters say a cold snap will hit tonight, sending temperatures plunging as low as minus 4C (25F).

Met Office forecaster John Hammond said: "At the weekend it was almost 20C (68F) in some parts of the country.

"But people who have been wearing T-shirts in this exceptionally mild weather are going to notice a big change.

"It will be time to bring the bobbie hats and scarves out. We are going to get a blast of air from the Arctic Circle."

The Met Office confirmed yesterday that this has been the hottest autumn since records began back in 1659. September and October's average temperature was 14.9C (58.8F).

### Falling

But that is all set to change, with daytime temperatures tipped to fall to 5C (41F) in southern England and 3C (37.4F) in northern England and Scotland over the coming days.

And night-time temperatures will become even colder, falling to as low as minus 4C (25F).

With two months left, 2006 is still on course to be the hottest year ever in the UK - beating the record set in 2003, according to the Met Office.

Forecaster Mr Hammond said: "I would not be at all surprised if this is the hottest-ever year. Eight out of the 10 hottest years on record have come since 1989 and 2006 is looking like it will beat them all.

"Our climate research shows that the rapid increase in temperatures is almost certainly down to global warming."

But a hot summer is no guarantee of a mild winter. Experts are predicting an icy start to 2007, with temperatures well below average in January and February.

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## Gary's on the ball

IT looks like football legend Gary Lineker could still give today's Premiership stars a run for their money. The former England ace looked as fit as ever as he

topped up his tan on holiday in Barbados.

The Match Of The Day host, 45, proved he's certainly not been eating all the pies since hanging up his boots.

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### FILTHY RICH: Brit the farmer

POP babe Britney Spears' children may be raised on a farm because husband Kevin Federline says Los Angeles is no place for kids.

Kevin, 28, said he and Britney, 24, were "filthy rich" but Sean Preston, one, and their baby son Jayden James might be better off in the country.



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# BEERS 'N YEARS

## Boozy lifestyle makes stressed Brits look ages older

**THE boozy, stressed-out lifestyles of many Brits are putting years on their appearance.**

Junk food, pollution and too much sun are also blamed for prematurely ageing their skin by an average of three years.

They are getting old before their time with party-loving Geordies and Londoners the worst victims, according to new research.

People from the north-east – like fallen soccer idol Paul Gascoigne, 39 – are likely to look three-and-a-half years older than their actual age. Those in north-east London will look three

■ by ELIZABETH JAMES

years 11 months older. The Welsh and those in the south-east have the youngest skin in Britain, according to dermatologists.

They created a formula by using factors like stress, sleep levels, diet, social habits, sun exposure and pollution levels.

### Worry

A survey of 1,479 people found 55% are not comfortable in their own skin. In Wales an amazing 64% admit they don't feel confident, compared to 48% in Scotland – the happiest

region. Women (41%) are far more likely to worry over their skin than men (24%).

Dermatologist Dr Sean Langan, group medical director at skin, said: "The skin is a barometer for our general well-being so those not feeling comfortable should address various lifestyle factors."

"Plenty of things can be done to reduce the ageing process, the simplest being to drink more water, avoid harmful UV rays and stop smoking. We are all going to age but there are skin treatments that can hold back the years."

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■ OASIS frontman Liam Gallagher looked scarier than his own kids last night as he took them trick or treating for Halloween.

Black-clad Liam, 34, kept a straight face as kids Gene, five, and Lennon, seven, in full ghost costumes, trudged through the streets near his north London home. One onlooker said: "The kids looked amazing – and Liam looked like a ghoul."



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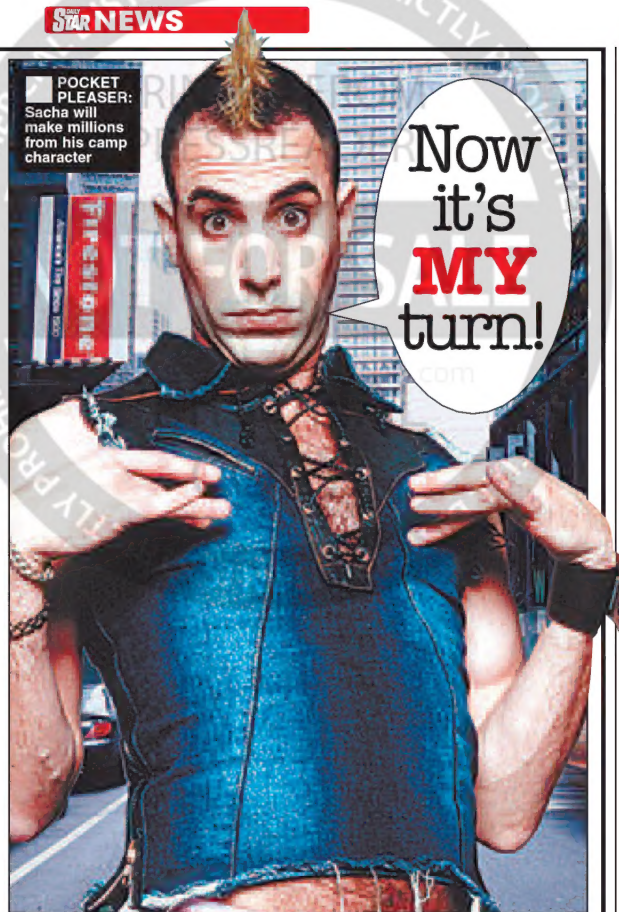
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# BRUNO TO DO BORAT FOR £25m

## Sacha's new film deal

**COMIC Sacha Baron Cohen has landed a huge £25million film deal for his camp character Bruno.**

by CAMERON MILLAR

And the outrageous Austrian fashion victim is set to be another worldwide smash, just like bungling Kazakh reporter Borat.

Gay Bruno, the "voice of Austrian youth TV", has already upset loads of unsuspecting victims on his telly outings.

Now hot property Baron Cohen, 35, has linked up with Universal Studios to bring him to the big screen.

The news comes hot on the heels of his box-office smash with Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan.

An industry insider in LA said last night: "Borat set the cat among the pigeons, but Bruno will push things much further. He'll be going into the heart of US redneck country to ask

about really personal things. People in many parts of the States are not used to getting cosy with camp foreigners so the fur will fly!"

Bruno has upset almost as many people as Borat. He once outraged a churchman by asking what kinds of gay behaviour were acceptable.

He first appeared in the TV series Da Ali G Show and is the third of Baron Cohen's characters to make a film.

Just weeks ago Baron Cohen outraged Kazakhs with his Borat act when he claimed rape was a national pastime.

Baron Cohen antics have upset almost the entire population of Kazakhstan, the Kazakh ambassador to the USA, residents of Staines, American Republicans, Jewish anti-racism groups, Muslims, liberals and viewers' groups.



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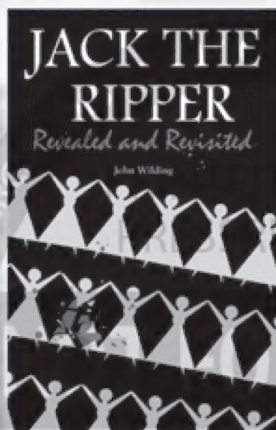
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